

1 Whereas, While the expenditure of public education dollars
2 for the administration of the public education system is
3 necessary, these expenditures should be made as efficiently as
4 possible to maximize the dollars available for student
5 instruction; and

6 Whereas, Among the options that should be considered for
7 improving administrative efficiency are the sharing of
8 administrative services and joint employment of administrative
9 personnel by county boards of education; therefore, be it

10 *Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

11 That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby
12 requested to conduct an audit of the efficiency of the
13 expenditure of public education dollars to minimize
14 administrative expense and maximize effort on the core mission of
15 the public schools in preparing students fully; and be it

16 *Further Resolved,* That the audit of the efficiency of the
17 expenditures of public education dollars should include, but not
18 be limited to, the WV Department of Education, the Secondary
19 Schools Activities Commission, the Office of Education
20 Performance Audits, the public education programs in the
21 Department of Education and the Arts, including the Center for
22 Professional Development, the Regional Education Service Agencies
23 and the respective county boards of education, the internal
24 efficiencies of these agencies, and potential duplications of

1 administrative effort among them; and be it

2 *Further Resolved*, That the audits should examine spending on
3 administration, instruction and instructional support including,
4 but not limited to, purchasing, travel, personnel, system
5 management, the timeliness and effectiveness of regulatory
6 procedures and infrastructure expenses, and where appropriate,
7 make comparisons between the respective county boards of
8 education and agencies, highlighting areas of efficiency, and
9 with efficient practices in other states; and be it

10 *Further Resolved*, That the audits should be conducted by the
11 legislative auditor with such assistance as the legislative
12 auditor may request from other agencies and organizations; and be
13 it

14 *Further Resolved*, That the Joint Committee on Government and
15 Finance is requested to report to the regular session of the
16 Legislature, 2012, on its findings, conclusions and
17 recommendations, together with drafts of any legislation
18 necessary to effectuate its recommendations; and be it

19 *Further Resolved*, That the expenses necessary to conduct
20 this study, to prepare a report and draft necessary legislation
21 are requested to be paid from legislative appropriations to the
22 Joint Committee on Government and Finance.